

while attending the meetings of the St. Petersburg Shell Club. She will be missed sadly by all her many friends and scientific colleagues. An obituary will appear in a future number.

—EDITORS.

YUNQUEA MONTEPLATONIS.—“*Suavitas*” *monteplatonis* Pilsbry, 1931-21, from Mt. Platon (Piton?), Haiti, is a larger shell than *Y. denselirata*, with more arcuate and thickened, basal peristome; Cf. *Helix effusa* (Pfr.) Tryon, Man. Conch. 2: pl. 51, figs. 30-32 (ANSP. 12147 from Bland). With this addition, a new subfamily Yunqueinae (in Sagdidae) is proposed; Zilch, 1960:589, wisely questioned the inclusion of *Yunquea* in Aquebaninae, since it is different enough to be made a separate family, at the bases of the Sagdidae and Oleacinidae. Like *Aquebana*, *Yunquea* lacks lamellae but, in form of shell, also approaches *Odontosagda*, of which “*Y. denselirata*” van der Schalie, 1948:71, pl. 6, fig. 5, apparently is a Puerto Rican species.—H. BURREINGTON BAKER.

THE STATUS OF VITRINIZONITES UVIDERMIS Pilsbry.—*V. uvidermis*, according to Pilsbry (Land Moll. N. Amer. II, pp. 347-349.), differs from *V. latissimus* (Lewis) in lacking the calcareous layer of the shell, and in having much larger teeth in the radula. I recently examined the radulae of specimens of *V. latissimus* from Little Haw Knob, Unicoi Mtn., Monroe Co., Tennessee. They were found to have teeth larger than those of *V. uvidermis* from Clingmans Dome. The difference between the teeth on the two ends of the radula was as great as the difference reported for the two species by Pilsbry. The teeth were small in the specimens of *V. latissimus* which Pilsbry examined because the animals were immature.

Frequently the shells of zonitid snails in lime deficient areas become thin when old. The shells of *Mesomphix* will sometimes collapse in the fingers when attempting to remove the animal. Possibly they extract lime from the shell to use in egg production.

I believe *V. uvidermis* to be only very old *V. latissimus*. I have collected *V. uvidermis* many times but never have seen a young one.

The teeth of *V. latissimus* are large enough so that they can give a painful pinch when carried in the hand, but I never had them draw blood.—LESLIE HUBRICHT.